

**OPEN INTERNATIONAL BIDDING SUPPLY OF LONG GRAIN WHITE RICE**  
**Procurement Reference: STC/IFB/2022/81**

1. The State Trading Corporation (STC) is inviting bids from eligible bidders for the Supply of Long Grain White Rice for the period covering **01 July to 30 September 2022** as per requirements contained in the bidding document.
2. Bids must be submitted online on the e-Procurement System by **10 May 2022 up to 13:30 hours (Mauritian Time)** at latest.
3. Bidders who have submitted bids online by the closing date and time, shall decrypt and re-encrypt their bids from **10 May 2022** as from **14:31 hours (Mauritian Time)** till **12 May 2022 at 14:00 hours (Mauritian Time)**.
4. Bids will be opened on **12 May 2022 as from 14.01 hrs (Mauritian Time)** and the result of the bids will be available accordingly on the e- Procurement system.
5. Interested Bidders should register by signing up on the e-Procurement System of the Government of Mauritius on <https://eproc.publicprocurement.govmu.org> in order to participate in the bidding exercise and download the bidding documents, reference number **STC/IFB/2022/81**. Guidelines to bidders on the process of registration on the e-Procurement System can be accessed on <https://eproc.publicprocurement.govmu.org/files/masterfiles/HOW-TO-REGISTER-ON-THE-E-PROCUREMENT-SYSTEM-v2.pdf>
6. The e-Procurement helpdesk can be contacted for assistance and training via email: [eprocdesk@govmu.org](mailto:eprocdesk@govmu.org) and [pposecretariat@govmu.org](mailto:pposecretariat@govmu.org) during weekdays between 09:00 hrs to 16:00 hrs (Mauritian Time).
7. It is mandatory for prospective bidders to purchase a Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from Emudhra Mauritius on [www.emudhra.mu](http://www.emudhra.mu) to be able to submit bids online. For any query and assistance, the customer service of Emudhra Mauritius can be contacted through email on [digitalcertificate@mauritiuspost.mu](mailto:digitalcertificate@mauritiuspost.mu) or call on +(230) 211 8423.
8. Bidders are encouraged to procure their DSCs and submit their bids online well before the submission deadline. It is advised not to wait for the last moment to avail of any assistance that may be required from the Procurement Policy Office Helpdesk and Emudhra for the DSCs.
9. The STC reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, annul the Bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to award of the Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to any Bidder.

**22 April 2022**